

## REMARKS

Claims 1-15 were examined and reported in the Office Action. Claims 1-12 are rejected. Claims 1-9 have been amended. Claims 1-15 remain.

Applicant requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

It is asserted in the Office Action that Claims 1-9 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In addition, Applicant notes, with appreciation, the Examiner's assertion, in the Office Action, that Claims 1-9 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, set forth in the Office Action.

In response, Applicant has amended Claims 1-9 as set forth in the Office Action under the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections of Claims 1-9 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all outstanding requirements have been addressed, and the claims pending for examination, namely claims 1-15 are now in condition for allowance, which early action is requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,  
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